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**Snow Still Blocks
Scottish Roads**

London, Mar. 25.
The floods which have caused havoc in south and central England for a fortnight are now falling rapidly and even in the Fen country, where thousands of acres of rich farm lands were inundated, the waters have been stemmed.

In the north of England, the position remains bad and in parts of Scotland deep snow is still blocking many roads. In the Thames, overnight falls of from four inches to a foot were reported and the rate of flow is now 9,000,000-10,000,000 gallons daily compared with 14,000,000,000 a week ago.

**Compton
Mackenzie
Due Today**

Mr. Compton Mackenzie, the noted British author, is due to arrive by air in Hong Kong today. He is engaged in preparing a history of the great part played by India in the war.

Mr. Mackenzie's visit to Hong Kong entails a tour of the battle areas of 1941, including the so-called "Gin Drinkers" line on the mainland and the fighting areas on the island itself, with special reference to the roles undertaken by the Indian troops of the garrison.

Mr. Mackenzie has travelled extensively in his search for material for his history, covering nearly every theatre of operations of the late war. On leaving here he hopes to pay a visit to the British Commonwealth Occupation Forces in Japan.

Mr. Mackenzie will be the guest of H. E. the Governor during his visit.

**UNRRA STRIKE
THREAT**

Shanghai, Mar. 26.
The "China Press" reports today that 600 locally employed UNRRA personnel have voted to demand a 42 per cent increase in pay before the end of the month on the threat of a "sit-down strike" if the demands are not met.

UNRRA officials said no demands have yet been received. The "China Press" said that local employees claimed that foreign employees of UNRRA received an increase of 42 per cent in local subsistence allowance when prices skyrocketed in February while the locally employed had their salaries frozen at the January level under Chinese Government economic regulations.

They charged "this is unwarranted discrimination."—United Press.

"SIT-DOWN"

Singapore, Mar. 26.
More than 600 members of the "Dalliance" underground Chinese organization opposing the Japanese during the occupation started a "sit-down strike" today at the Secretariat, in support of its demand for three and a half years' back pay from the British War Office.—Associated Press.

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**Bitter Wrangle On
Atomic Energy**

Lake Success, Mar. 26.
The United Nations Atomic Energy Control Commission met behind closed doors yesterday to work out a detailed atomic control plan, but immediately fell into a bitter wrangle over how the problem should be tackled.

The United States—warning that all countries must accept "some interference" in their internal affairs—asked the Commission to start by drafting a treaty defining the powers of the proposed international control agency. Soviet delegate Andrei Gromyko protested and insisted the Commission first take up his 12 amendments to the already endorsed programme of principles written by America's Bernard Baruch. Mr. Gromyko's amendments would limit the powers of the atomic control authority and would retain the Big Five veto power over the punishment of countries caught making atomic weapons illegally. He charged the United States with attempting to bypass his amendments. Syria backed the Russian stand while Australia sided with the United States. After over three hours of ill-tempered debate the Commission adjourned to Monday.—United Press.

New Delhi, Mar. 26.
One person was killed as stray stonings and stabbings marked the third successive day of clashes between religious communities in Delhi.—Associated Press.

**PREFABS
FOR BRITAIN**

London, Mar. 25.
Swedish type houses are to be provided to give special help to rural areas, said Mr. L. J. Edwards, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, during a debate on rural housing in the House of Commons today.

Close on 5,000 of these houses had been delivered, he said. Half had been allocated to rural district councils in England and Wales and the other half to Scotland.—Reu-

**Troops
Fire On
Police**

Patna, Bihar, Mar. 26.
Troops opened fire on a party of police strikers moving in a police van today. One striker and two passers-by were killed.

Another report said that the troops fired when a posse of police staged a demonstration after striking. The demonstrators were moving about in a police lorry when the military opened fire, this report said. Earlier, the entire police force of Patna had been disarmed and the reserve police force confined to barracks after an incident last night when Gurkha troops were called in to break up a meeting of a section of policemen who had refused to obey the dispersal orders of their officers.

The armed police who defied the authorities last night surrounded their arms to British troops later after holding out for about three hours. The policemen did not turn up for duty this morning. The police are said to have put forward demands for higher salaries and improved conditions.—Reuter.

**Cabinet
Rumours**

London, Mar. 26.
Rumours that the Foreign Minister, Mr. Ernest Bevin, will be shifted to "take personal charge of the Cabinet plans for dealing with the economic crisis" were denied today by a high Government source. The News Chronicle bannered a dispatch which reported that Mr. Bevin will be made the top domestic planner and the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Hugh Dalton, will become Foreign Minister.

"The Cabinet at the moment has no plan for such a change. I cannot say there never will be such a change, but at present it appears highly unlikely," this source said.—United Press.

**SOVIET READY FOR
COMPROMISE**

Moscow, Mar. 26.
The United States and the Soviet Union today were reported authoritatively to be considering important concessions in their demands on Germany so as to accomplish their major aims for a German peace settlement in the Council of Foreign Ministers.

Officials were doubtful, however, that any deals were in prospect of sufficient import to produce a major agreement during the current Moscow sessions.

All indications are that the United States is willing to agree to some form of reparations from current German production to continue for a year provided it can be arranged without further cost to American taxpayers.

Reparations are believed to be the principal aim of the Soviet Union and it is believed the Kremlin would be willing to modify some other Russian demands in order to get them. Specific indications of possible Soviet concessions have not been made clear. It is considered significant, however, that the British delegation, after Mr. Bevin's talk with Stalin, took a moderately optimistic view of the situation.—Associated Press.

**Nanking
Debenture
Issue**

Nanking, Mar. 26.
The National Defence Council and the Kuomintang's Central Executive Committee, in a joint meeting, passed a resolution today for the issuance of US\$300,000,000 short-term three-year debentures bearing two per cent annual interest, and US\$100,000,000 in 10-year bonds bearing six per cent annual interest.

The debentures are purchasable with Chinese dollars at the Central Bank official rate, CN\$12,000 to US\$1. The bonds are purchasable with United States notes or dollars and deposits in other foreign currencies or gold at the official rate.

The meeting also decided to reduce the budget by CN\$140,000,000,000 and to freeze or defer until later this year CN\$55,000,000,000 expenditures.—United Press.

**Executions
In Taiwan**

Nanking, Mar. 26.
More than 70 Formosans, constituting the personnel of the self-styled "People's Government," established at Kinyi, during the recent riots, were executed by the Nationalist Military authorities on March 24, Chinese press reports stated today. The personnel included "Mayor" Chen Fit-lao, "Chief of Staff" Loyi, "Minister of Propaganda" Hsu Hsien-chung, and "Commissioner of Police" Chen Yung-lao.

Central News quoted an official communique from Garrison Headquarters as saying that more than 100 Formosans suspected of subversive activities had been arrested since March 3 and three of them executed.—Associated Press.

S.M.C. CLAIMS

London, Mar. 26.
Replying to a written parliamentary question, the Secretary of State reported to the House of Commons that "some progress" has been made by the Chinese Government in assessing the claims of the British employees of the former Shanghai Municipal Council. He stated that a number of British employees of the defunct Shanghai Municipal Council have been employed in the Chinese Government departments.—Central News.

N.Z. SHOCK

Wellington, Mar. 26.
A severe earthquake followed by two 60-foot tidal waves hit the east coast of the Gisborne district today washing houses into the sea and demolishing a hotel. Twenty bridges were wrecked as sea water rushed down coastal highways. Many residents had narrow escapes.—United Press.

**Letter
Found After
32 Years**

(By "Paul Pry")
A letter which was posted in England in 1915 has suddenly popped up in Hong Kong. It was discovered when a crate was opened in Wellington Barracks yesterday morning.

The letter, which is dated April 1, 1915, was addressed to a soldier on active service in World War I. He was then a Private in the "P" Company of the London Scottish Regiment, which at the time was serving with the B.E.F. in France.

Oddly enough, also in the straw packing in the case was a number of German newspapers dated 1940, full of Luftwaffe versions of the blitz on Liverpool. Since the letter was opened, this may indicate that the soldier was taken prisoner or killed during the First World War, and that for some odd reason it was never destroyed.

The envelope is in fairly good condition when one remembers that it has been lying around for the past 32 years. Unfortunately, either mice or cockroaches have chewed several holes in the cover and the contents are almost illegible. It looks like "Lancashire" and "How it came to be in the crate" cannot be established locally. Arrangements are being made by the local correspondent of one of the leading dailies at home for it to be forwarded to London in an attempt to trace either the addressee or his 1915 correspondents.

**Carson Chang
Rumours**

Nanking, Mar. 26.
Rumours were circulated in Nanking this afternoon that the Social Democrat Party leader, Carson Chang, will succeed Sun Fo as President of the Legislative Yuan if the latter becomes Vice President of the State Council. The Peiping newspaper, "Shih Pao," banner-lined an unconfirmed report that Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek plans to leave shortly on an important visit to London and Washington.—United Press.

TOKYO QUAKE

Tokyo, Mar. 26.
An earthquake which the Japanese Central Meteorological Observatory described as of "light intensity" shook the Tokyo area for two minutes beginning at 0444 today. The shock was strong enough to stop clocks. The Observatory said no damage was reported. The epicentre was in the sea off Kashima in Ibaraki prefecture, 50 miles northeast from Tokyo.—United Press.

**131 Miners Trapped
By Explosion**

Centralia, Illinois, Mar. 26.
A gas or dust explosion trapped 131 miners 500 feet underground in the No. 5 mine of the Centralia Coal Company here yesterday, and reports indicate the death toll will be heavy. Shortly after midnight—nearly nine hours after the blast—rescue workers and officials said 16 miners were known to be dead. Two bodies had been recovered and one rescue worker said he had counted 14 bodies within the mine. Five escaped alive immediately after the explosion and nine others were rescued alive. At least 101 men still were trapped deep within the mine at midnight. Miners gathered at the mine entrance looked at the clouds of heavy dust and gas pouring from the shaft and expressed the fear that most miners below had been killed. Earlier, police said they had received an unconfirmed report that 20 to 25 bodies had been found but a close check of sources at the mine did not bear out the report. The trapped men are believed to be entombed from two and a half miles within the mine's workings. Rescue workers, wearing oxygen masks, supplied from tanks, carried on and rough their way deeper into the mine. They were expected to reach the trapped miners by dawn today.—United Press.

**ODER RIVER
DYKES CRACK**

Berlin, Mar. 25.
Ten Germans were drowned when ice and flood waters from the swollen Oder River burst through a dyke and flooded the village of See-low, east of Berlin. The river dyke collapsed under pressure of the torrent. Thousands of refugees from the eastern territories resettled in this area a year ago and are now evacuated and homeless again.

Northwest of See-low, between the towns of Wriezen and Friedland, where there is a chain of villages all submerged in the flood, the Oder has returned to the bed in which it flowed two hundred years ago, at a spot only 25 miles from Berlin. Berlin newspapers said tonight that over 17,000 people have been made homeless by the floods, which in some low-lying areas are five meters deep.

There have been sporadic outbreaks of looting in evacuated homesteads by thieves operating in small boats, and the provincial government today warned that all illegal entry into the abandoned areas will be punishable with terms of forced labour. Cut Off. Hundreds of people who failed to heed the hourly warnings broadcast from Potsdam are said to be cut off in the villages and hamlets. The waters, though no longer rising, are expected to reach Friedland, which was already evacuated tonight. The floods are an economic blow to Berlin as rich crops of vegetables, sugar beet, wheat and potatoes normally come from the Oder farmlands.—Reuter.

Floods In Poland.
Floods in Poland have washed away up to 30 bridges. On Friday, two bridges were swept from the Vistula between Warsaw and Prague, hurling seven persons to their death in the flooding Vistula, says a belated report. In Silesia, the population was called out for a general fight against flood ravages. This news was delayed by washed out communications to Warsaw.—United Press.

200 Feared Dead

Berlin, Mar. 26.
The ice-clogged Oder River, its dykes built by Frederick the Great, cracking under the strain, flooded the heart of Germany's "bread basket" today as it swirled across farmlands towards the Baltic Sea.

Thousands of persons are homeless and many were drowned trying to save their possessions. The unofficial death toll stood at 200 although many of these may have escaped. Upwards of 20,000 fled their homes in the face of the worst German flood in 150 years.

At Wriezen, 40 miles north-east of Berlin, the flood waters were six and a half feet deep in the market place and the town's 8,000 inhabitants have evacuated. Hundreds of refugees were brought to Berlin where political leaders appealed to the people for food and shelter. The Oder Valley had long been the centre of Germany's farm sector where a large share of foodstuffs are grown. Berlin depends on this sector for its produce. The flood undoubtedly was a severe blow to the hopes of the Soviet zone for bumper vegetable crops this spring and many agricultural exports estimate it will be six months before the farmlands lose their marshy appearance and be capable of producing again.—United Press.

THE WEATHER
The anticyclone is moving eastward and losing intensity. A cold front, over the Eastern Sea. The deep depression to the NE of Japan continues to move ENE. Pressure is relatively low over Central China and over the southern regions generally.

Today's Forecast—Moderate E and SE winds; showers from easterly, offshore; moderating; partly cloudy, becoming cloudy; morning haze or fog; warm.

Yesterday's Weather—Maximum: 71.6 deg. Fah. Minimum: 61.6 deg. Fah. Sunshine: 10.7 hours.

Rainfall: Nil. Total since January 1—151.5 mm., as against an average of 10.5 mm.

Readings at 10 a.m.—4 p.m. Baro. at sea level: 1022.7 1019.6 m.b. Rel. Humidity: 65 66 Dew Point: 53 55 Wind Direction: E E by S Wind Force: 16 20 knots.

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NOTICE

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate which should be clearly marked "Tender for Erection of 37 nos. of 2-8-0 Locomotives with tenders" will be received at the offices of the Kowloon Canton Railway, British Section, until 3.00 p.m. of Monday 31st March, 1947.

The locomotives with tenders will be required to be assembled on railway tracks at Hung Hom.

Full particulars may be obtained on application to the Mechanical Engineer, Kowloon Canton Railway Workshops, Hung Hom on the deposit of a fee of \$500.00 with the Chief Accountant of the Railway at the Head Office of the Kowloon Canton Railway, which will be refunded on the submission of a bona fide tender. The deposit receipt must be attached to the tender. The successful tenderer will be required to sign a formal contract and give security in the sum of \$3,000.00 in cash to be deposited with the Chief Accountant of the Railway for the faithful performance of the terms of such contract.

The Board does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

L. B. TREVOR,
Chairman,
Railway Tender Board.
Kowloon, 27th March, 1947.

HARBOUR DEPARTMENT NOTICE

DANGEROUS GOODS REGULATIONS 1946

It is hereby notified that qualified analytical chemists and other persons who desire to practice as "approved persons" within the meaning of Part I Para 2 (9) of the Dangerous Goods Regulations, 1946, are requested to register their names with the Principal Surveyor of Ships, Harbour Department. The applicants should give full particulars of their technical qualifications and provide complete details of the apparatus which they intend to use.

J. JOLLY,
Harbour Master.
Hong Kong, 26th March, 1947.

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SALARIES COMMISSION

The Salaries Commission at its first meeting on 24th March, 1947, agreed to invite Heads of Government Departments, recognised Civil Service Associations, the Chambers of Commerce, commercial and industrial organisations and individual members of the Government Service or of the public to make such representations as they might think fit regarding the Government civil service in Hong Kong with reference to:

- (a) Salaries and all other forms of emoluments and allowances;
- (b) terms of leave, passages and medical treatment;
- (c) superannuation;
- (d) any other matters relevant to the enquiry now being made by the Commission under the terms of reference published in the press on 21st March, 1947.

In view of the need that the Commission's recommendations should be completed at the earliest possible date, organisations and persons are invited to submit a short statement on matters on which they wish to express views or to offer evidence; such representations should be forwarded to the Secretaries, Salaries Commission, Colonial Secretariat, Hong Kong, as soon as possible and in any case not later than 12th April, 1947.

P. C. M. SEDGWICK,
I. S. WAN,
Secretaries to the
Salaries Commission,
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1947.

HARBOUR DEPARTMENT NOTICE

Sale of the Water Boat Hung Lee No. 1

It is hereby notified that sealed tenders in triplicate which should be clearly marked "Tenders for Purchase of the Water Boat Hung Lee No. 1" will be received at the Harbour Office until noon on Monday the 31st April, 1947.

1. The vessel will be sold as it lies in Yaumati Typhoon Shelter, and arrangements to view should be made direct with the Superintendent Engineer, Government Slipway, Yaumati. (Telephone No. 58950).
2. The approximate dimensions are as follows:—

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4. Government does not bind itself to accept the highest or any tender.

(sd) J. JOLLY,
Harbour Master.
Harbour Department,
Hong Kong, 24th March, 1947.

TRIAL OF MAJOR GENERAL TANAKA RYOSABURO

ATTENTION H.K.V.D.C., ALL MEMBERS OF ARMED FORCES or CIVILIANS present in HONG KONG at time of JAPANESE ATTACK

Information is required from any eye witness, by War Crimes Investigation Team, respecting the Japanese attack on:—

- (A) Repulse Bay, December 10-23, 1941;
- (B) Eucliffe, Repulse Bay, December 19-23, 1941.

In addition it would be appreciated if anyone having information respecting:

- (a) The bayonetting of wounded and/or captives on the Inland Road near the Lion Light just west of Deep Water Bay any time between December 18-25, 1941;
- (b) The bayonetting of captives and wounded at Over Bay or The Ridge, Repulse Bay Road south of Wong Nei Chong Gap, December 19-24, 1941;
- (c) The killing of captives and wounded at Sai Wan Hill and Salesian Mission, December 18-19, 1941;

would get in touch with War Crimes Investigation Team, Telephone 34048.

WAR CRIMES
INVESTIGATION TEAM.
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1947.

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT Birth Certificates

Members of the public who applied for registration of births which occurred during the Japanese Occupation, are requested to call at the General Registry of Births and Deaths to sign the register.

2. A large number of birth certificates await collection, and it would be appreciated if applicants would call at the General Registry with receipts to collect their certificates.

P. S. SELWYN-CLARKE,
Director of Medical Services.
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1947.

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Easter Race Meeting to be held on Saturday and Monday, 5th and 7th April 1947 (weather permitting) may be obtained at the Secretary's Office, Exchange Building; the Club House, Happy Valley; and the Stables, Shan Kwong Road.

Entries close at 3.00 p.m. on Thursday, 27th March 1947.

By Order,
C. B. Brown
Secretary.

THE BANK OF CANTON, LTD.

Ordinary Yearly General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of Shareholders of the Company will be held at the Head Office of the Company, 6 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Saturday, the 29th March, 1947, at 3:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st December, 1946, and for the appointment of Auditors and declaration of dividends.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be closed from the 20th day of March to 29th March, 1947 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares will be registered.

By Order of the Board,
D. S. YUAN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 20th March, 1947.

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT & LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Thirteenth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, on Monday, the 31st day of March, 1947, at 12 o'clock noon, to receive the Directors' Report and Accounts as at 31st December, 1946, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

AND NOTICE IS FURTHER HEREBY GIVEN that the Register and Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 24th to the 31st day of March, 1947 both days inclusive.

GEORGE Y. K. SUN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 22nd March 1947.

NOTICE ROYAL HONG KONG GOLF CLUB

Members now resident in the Colony are hereby notified that unless their names are registered with the Secretary by 1st April, 1947, they will be considered as having resigned from the Club and will lose all privileges and rights of membership.

Likewise, members returning to the Colony in the future will be required to register their names within one month of the date of their arrival in order to retain membership of the Club.

By order of the Committee,
D. W. MUNTUN,
Secretary.
Room 212, Windsor House.
Phone. 32840.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FIFTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on MONDAY, 21st April, 1947, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1946.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from TUESDAY, 8th April, 1947, to MONDAY, 21st April, 1947, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
B. C. FIELD,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 26th March, 1947.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS PROPOSED ISSUE OF NEW SHARES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT it is the present intention of the Board of Directors of the above Company in accordance with the terms of the Special Resolution passed on the 25th day of May, 1923, to offer as soon as possible after the 21st day of April, 1947, 100,000 new shares of the nominal value of \$25.00 each being the present unissued capital of the Company (in the proportion of one new share for every complete number of three shares held by them respectively) to the persons who on the 21st day of April, 1947, are registered in the Company's share register as the holders of the 300,000 issued shares in the capital of the Company at a premium of \$25.00 per share and so that of the acceptance of the offer the nominal amount due in respect of each such new share plus the said premium of \$25.00 per share (making \$50.00 per share) shall be payable in full.

The offer will be made by Notice sent by post to each shareholder specifying the number of shares to which the shareholder is entitled and limiting the time within which the offer if not accepted either on behalf of such shareholder or his nominee will be deemed to be declined.

The offer of new shares to shareholders whose registered address is in the Far East must be accepted on or before the 30th day of June, 1947, and the offer to shareholders registered as resident elsewhere must be accepted on or before the 30th day of September, 1947, and such new shares when allotted will rank for dividend as on and from the 1st day of July, 1947, and the 1st day of October, 1947, respectively.

Any of the shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid shall be disposed of in such manner and at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion see fit.

No shareholder shall be entitled to claim for a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd issued share held by him.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
B. C. FIELD,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 25th March, 1947.

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NOTICE

War Crimes desires to get in touch with Mr. J. MacDonald, formerly of 319 Lanchuk Road, Kowloon. The above-mentioned is believed to have been a member of the Royal Scots Regiment and was, during the war years, interned in Camp 19D, Tokyo, and 2B, Kawanaski, Japan.

Will anyone having knowledge of the whereabouts of Mr. J. MacDonald kindly communicate with Lt. C. C. Brett, War Crimes Investigation Unit, Hong Kong, Telephone No. 34048.

C. C. BRETT, Lt.,
for Lt. Col.
O.C. War Crimes
Investigation Unit,
Hong Kong, 26th March, 1947.

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and Appraisers.
Pedder Building,
Telephone No. 20224.

PUBLIC AUCTION

The undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction on

Thursday the 27th March 1947 commencing at 2.30 p.m. at their Sales Rooms, Pedder Building, Basement.

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THE COLONIAL SERVICE

That the responsibilities of the Salaries Commission go far beyond the adjustment of 1941 scales to 1947 economic conditions is made clear in the Colonial Office paper on the Organisation of the Colonial Service referred to in paragraph 6 of the Commission's terms of reference. In this particular document, general principles are laid down to which the local pattern of salaries, grades and terms of service is expected to conform, and among them are two worthy of quotation in full. In the first instance, it is decreed that the salaries of all posts in the public service should be determined according to the nature of the work and the relative responsibilities, irrespective of the race or domicile of the individuals occupying the posts. The pay, in other words, should go with the post. The second main point is that salaries should be fixed at rates applicable to the locally recruited staff even though there may for the time being be grades in which few or no locally recruited officers are in fact serving. The suggestion is that basic salaries should be fixed having regard to the ruling income levels in those classes of the local community from which the public service is or will be recruited. These proposals cut across all previous conceptions of the proper structure of the civil service salary pattern applicable to Hong Kong, and while such a line of approach to the general problem cannot logically be challenged, the difficulties of their practical application in the immediate future are very real. It is true that provision is expected to be made, where salaries so fixed are insufficient to attract and retain officers from overseas, that expatriation pay should be provided. In determining the rates of expatriation pay, says the document, it will be relevant to consider such factors as the additional expense to which an officer may be put by reason of the fact that he is serving away from his own home, especially in a non-temperate climate; the remuneration and amenities available in alternative careers in the officer's home country, and the general standard of remuneration and conditions in the Civil Service. This says little more in effect than that the same considerations as now apply to justify distinctions between sterling-salaried and dollar-salaried employees must continue to be conceded their due importance. Were the issues as simple and straightforward as that, there would be few points of conflict. A workable scheme could readily be worked out. The quest is to provide a framework in which the right man or woman can be put in the right place, irrespective of race or colour, in which there is equality of treatment and opportunity for all on the basis of merit and ability; which, thus broadly stated, is a commendable and acceptable objective. It is, however, stressed at the same time that it is desired to attract recruits on a very considerable scale, for a wide variety of posts in the Colonies from the United Kingdom and the Dominions. To achieve this, obviously, the inducement to an officer to serve away from his own home and accept the discomforts and disadvantages which work in tropical zones is liable to entail, must involve compensatory attractions which could hardly exclude the scale of his emoluments. If basic salaries are to be fixed according to the relevant local circumstances, in our case according to Chinese living standards, the margin between basic and expatriation pay might easily be so disproportionate as to create a real sense of grievance rather than a feeling of equity. The

The British are now in their eighth year of food rationing. The unwavering adaptability of the British housewife to multiplied shortages was an important contribution to the winning of World War II. The year 1946 saw the demobilization of millions of the Armed Forces of every nation. But the British housewife has not yet been demobilized. Her enemy, food shortage, has not yet been defeated. Taking her orders from the Ministry of Food, she continues in the front line, and so well does she contrive that the general health of the nation has never been better. That is a remarkable achievement. It is not, of course, due to the British housewife alone, and she would be the last to claim that it was. Nevertheless, it is only fair to remember how well she has served her country, and how admirably she continues to adapt herself to post-war conditions.

"Pacific and Silent"

Visitors from other countries never fail to record their admiration for the British housewife. But in a wider and more general sense what seems to strike the foreign observer is how successfully Britain (in the words of a distinguished South American visitor) is effecting "a pacific and silent revolution," and thus realizing a "social transformation." The point is worth examining. In a letter to the Press in October, 1946, a well-known British industrialist referred to "the maladjustments which the war had caused," and said that the country's future depended on "re-establishing a basis for confidence and co-operative effort." It is understandable that in Britain itself people should be impressed with how much has to be done; but it is well to pause and reflect how much is actually being done to establish a renewed and strengthened basis for the national life. It is an effort which may rightly be termed co-operative because, whatever divisions of political opinion may and do exist, once projects of reform have received the sanction of Parliament their application is loyally supported. By all as a new phase in the national evolution. Such support and co-operation are the more readily given because, though there may be wide divergence of opinion on such subjects as nationalization, it is generally agreed that the economic and social needs which the legislative programme of the present Government is designed to meet have long since been national needs.

Accepted By All

Reorganization of the country's basic industries, and of transport by nationalization, and the modernization of various independent industries by Government aid, are two aspects of such economic needs. In the financial sphere the cheap money policy, the reform of Company law, and measures for protecting the small investor have been advocated by independent opinion for many years past. On the social side, the policy of ensuring full employment is accepted by all political parties; the National Insurance Act has been hailed as a charter of security for the nation; and measures like the National Health Service and Family Allowances Acts are welcomed as indispensable in a modern community. In working out these reforms there have been great, and sometimes bitter, disagreements on matters of detail; but British Parliamentary procedure has enabled constructive criticism

to be found in an extensive re-grading of posts, a delicate and complicated business, involving professional and educational qualifications, and also willingness of candidates to accept equivalent or higher posts in other Colonies, if so required by the Secretary of State. The suggestion that it would be simpler and more convenient for H.M. Government to take over the cost of salaries of executive officers of the Colonial Service, thus freeing colonial funds for development, is one that, offering the line of least resistance, might well commend itself to members of a Salaries Commission entrusted with the task of reviewing salaries on such "right terms of reference." A cursory examination is, however, enough to provide conviction that such a retrograde arrangement could not successfully be made to work. The Commission must be left with the problem, in the confidence that it will find a way through the maze that will satisfy the lower

to influence the shaping of the eventual law, so that the vast process of modernizing the whole life and economy of Britain ends by being a united

By
ROBERT MACKAY

national effort, which, after the heat of debate has subsided and the contested measures have become law, is in effect a national policy.

For A Century

The whole process is part of an evolutionary movement that has been going on for at least a century. Occasional unofficial strikes, however deplorable, and unexpected bottlenecks in production, however annoying, are merely transitory symptoms of the difficulties of post-war adjustment. In this connection it is pertinent to observe what great strides have been made in the study of industrial psychology. This is not something which Britain has suddenly adopted as a post-war innovation. A National Institute of Industrial Psychology and an Industrial Health Research Board have existed for the past 25 years.

Another instance of this process of gradual development is the movement for holidays with pay. Ten years ago, 152 million wage-earners were having holidays with pay under agreements between employers and trade unions. In 1939 the number had risen to 4 million, and today it is about 12 million.

Case Of Disabled

As a final example of the gradual expansion of social-economic movements the case of disabled persons may be quoted. After the 1914-18 war comprehensive schemes were set on foot for providing employment-training for men and women who, owing to injuries, were wholly or partially unable to take their full share of business life. More recently, a special Act of Parliament—the Disabled Persons Act—has enabled 730,000 persons to register for special consideration, and on January 8 Britain's Minister of Labour was able to announce that employment had been found for all but one-tenth of these persons. The Minister was opening an exhibition in London—"And So To Work"—designed to show that disabled persons can perform skilled and other useful work under industrial conditions. The disability from which a man or woman may be suffering may be due to war service, to an accident, to physical weakness, or to serious illness. All this is provided for

under the Act. Watching the speed and quality of the work of the 75 disabled demonstrators at the exhibition—making boots or mending watches, typing or making dresses, for instance—nobody could guess that they laboured under any physical handicap.

The Logical Result

The Ministries of Labour and Health are the authorities primarily responsible for the exhibition. It is almost exactly 30 years since these ministries were "set up," and though to many people at that time they appeared as the official expression of doubtful, if not dangerous, social innovations, yet they were in effect the logical and inevitable result of social movements which had been gathering cohesion for many years. The 1914-18 war hastened the process of administrative co-ordination then, just as the 1939-45 war has hastened the realization of a vast number of social-economic schemes, which would eventually have come to fruition in any case.

Thus, what may today seem to the outside observer to be "a pacific and silent revolution" is in reality a social-economic evolution—a long evolution which, at every stage, has been the motive of discussions which may have been "pacific," but were anything but "silent." It is because that democratic process of free discussion has never ceased to be vigorously maintained in Britain that the practical results of that evolution, can count on the co-operation of all sections of the community, even of those who most dislike the shape of that evolution. National unity in Britain draws its permanent strength from the fact that it is not emotional, but, as in the case of the co-operation of the British housewife in food rationing, is based on the reasoned conviction that if the stern realities of the times are handled with a courageous capacity for adaptation, the nation will triumph over its difficulties.

"SKYMASTER" CREW ARE SAFE

St. John's, Newfoundland, Mar. 25.

All nine members of the crew of the United States Army "Sky-master" airliner which was lost on Sunday on a flight from Massachusetts are safe.

The first survivor arrived at Harpoon between Louis Point and St. Theresa, Newfoundland, early today by helicopter plane. The airliner had landed on top of a hill 33 miles southwest of Harpoon. It was located last night by search planes and a land rescue party was sent out.—Reuter.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

"The Authority on Authorities"

BEST FIT IN A MISFIT

No Trump is not a good declaration for the bad misfit. Possession of the top cards of every suit cannot produce a game at that contract unless one of the suits will break effectively, either through a good division of cards in the hand of the defense or else through having some of the intermediate honors. When the drop is from high cards to really low cards, even as many as seven sure tricks in aces and kings cannot produce the nine needed for the No Trump game.

S. A K 8 2

H. 10 3

D. 4

C. A K 10 9 8 3

S. J. Q. 10 9

H. K. Q. J. N. 4 3

7 2 W. E. H. 8

D. Q. 10 9 6 S. D. J. 8 7

C. J. 7 2 S. C. Q. 6 5 4

S. 7 6 5

H. A. Q. 5 4

D. A. K. 5 3 2

C. None

(Dealer: South. North-South vulnerable.)

South West North East

1. H. Pass 3 C. Pass

3. D. Pass 3 NT. Pass

4. D. Pass 4 NT. Pass

Pass Dbl. 2 C. Pass

2. 1 H. Pass 2 S. Pass

3. 1 H. Pass 2 S. Pass

3. D. Pass 4 C. Pass

4. D. Pass 4 H. Pass

Pass Dbl.

There is no such thing as a

good way to bid a real "misfit"

hand. By the time you know all

about how best to proceed, you

are too late to bid.

you are in a contract that can be made. But there is such a thing as foreseeing the likelihood of a misfit and proving against it.

The bidding shown in Table 1 above is the kind done at most tables of a big duplicate. North was so dazzled by his four high card tricks opposite an opening bid that he told the whole story about them at once with his 3-Club. That in Table 2 was done by the more expert pairs, with whom a new suit opposite a dealer opening is a positive one-line force, and so is a "re-verse," like North's second call, of his higher-ranking spades.

Even the more conservative chaps, got into something unworkable, at 4-Hearts, but mainly because that suit was bunched with West. In deals like this, usually the least costly contract is in the suit which is nearest to a fit.

Tomorrow's Problem

S. 2

H. 10 9

D. J. 9 5 4 3

C. 10 8 6 5

S. Q. 10

H. 7 5 N. H. 6

4 32 W. E. D. 10 7 6 2

D. Q. 8 S. C. 9 4 3 2

C. Q. J. 7

S. A. K. J. 7 6

H. A. K. J. 8

D. A. K.

C. A. K.

(Dealer: South. North-South vulnerable.)

What bidding would you con-

sider best on this deal?

S. 2

H. 10 9

D. J. 9 5 4 3

C. 10 8 6 5

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



"Well, here's how I come to be here—the other night I was on one of those screwy radio programs!"

Britain's Position In World Politics

With the Soviet Union seeking control of Spitzbergen—an island north of Scandinavia—while the United States is reportedly groping for Greenland, the peculiar position of Britain in the centre of world affairs again has been emphasized.

Once accused of a policy of "Divide and Rule," Britain's new role seems to call for bringing together its two powerful wartime allies in the interests of world peace.

Bevin-Stalin

Recently the Foreign Secretary Mr. Ernest Bevin, took an unprecedented step when he assured Premier Joseph Stalin that the 20-year Anglo-Russian security pact against German aggression had in no way been weakened. This followed an attack by the newspaper "Pravda."

Stalin agreed with Bevin, and soon afterward there was talk in London of a general military alliance.

By **ROBERT N. COOL**

who look to the experienced, time-wise British, for world guidance between the dynamics of brilliant American capitalism and belligerent Soviet Communism.

The role of arbiter and compromiser is natural to Britons, who have been manipulating affairs far from home for three centuries. In the century between Napoleon and the Kaiser, the British Empire ruled supreme, and gold flowed into their island at the crossroads of Europe. Now that has changed. Financial hardship dogs Albion in this postwar era.

Time Catches Up

As soon as the jubilation subsided after the victory in Europe, most Britons candidly faced the fact that their place was neither first nor even second in terms of strength in the new atomic world.

Time had caught up with the "light little isle" which formerly had dominated much of the world by virtue of its sea strength, its broad diplomacy and commercial pre-eminence.

When the Labour Government swept into power in July, 1945, Britons awoke to another strange sign. Their Socialist programme looked like a mild-mannered Communist.

Since then, Britain has charted a course that sometimes has helped to bridge that big political gap. Periodically Parliament has echoed to soul-searching questions as to whether His Majesty's Government is swinging too far toward one side or the other.

Traditions

Their traditions keep the British people from regarding their land as a balance for anybody else's scale, though the need for compromise is acknowledged.

Two factors early led Great Britain to team up with the United States in important arguments with the Russian bloc. These were England's need for American economic support—the British loan—and also her Empire ties. In areas such as Iran and Greece, where British interests were threatened, Whitehall took the lead in fighting Soviet expansion. Meanwhile, former Prime Minister Winston Churchill, leader of the British Conservatives, outdid his American counterparts in pleading his suspicion of Russian acts. But while most Britons consider the United States a natural ally, they do not regard the U.S.A. as necessarily

Bottom Of Financial Barrel

Washington, Mar. 25. A warning that the bottom of the financial barrel was in sight in Greece and that Greece was in serious danger of financial and economic collapse if aid was not sent, was given today by the Senate Foreign Relations Committee by the Under-Secretary of State for Economic Affairs, Mr. William L. Clayton.

He appealed to the Committee to support legislation to implement President Truman's anti-totalitarian programme of aid to Greece and Turkey.

He recommended that aid to both countries for military purposes should be in the form of a grant, as it was "essential to our own security and not in itself creating the 'whorehouse to pay'."

Financial assistance for civilian purposes should be a loan if there was a "reasonable" prospect of obnoxious repayment.

Acknowledging that economic conditions were "not so favourable in Turkey" as in Greece, he warned, however, that "if Turkey has to spend large amounts of foreign exchange for strengthening her military defence, she can accomplish this at all, only at the expense of a serious reduction in her currency reserves and curtailment of civilian imports which would seriously affect her domestic economy."

He emphasized that "if the \$100,000,000 recommended for Turkey would be spent for purposes which will contribute to the security of Turkey, this would include equipment for the Turkish armed forces and possibly related projects such as transportation of the Turkish military forces."

He also pointed out that the U.S.A. had a "special interest in the security of Turkey, which is a vital link in the chain of defense against the Soviet Union."

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TRUMAN REPLEDGES FAITH IN THE UNO

Washington, Mar. 26. President Truman today repudiated full faith in the United Nations in an obvious reply to the critics who complained that his administration was damaging United Nations prestige by by-passing it in favour of single-handed aid to Greece and Turkey.

In a message to Secretary-General Trygve Lie on the first anniversary of the initial United Nations meeting in the United States, the President said the American people "believe in the future of the United Nations with a firm conviction."

Mr. Truman added: "The United States in all its acts seeks to add strength to the United Nations and to give effect to the principles and purposes of the United Nations Charter."

This development followed an announcement by Warren Austin, United States representative to the United Nations, that he will give the world peace-making organization a statement on Friday on the Greek-Turkish situation.

One of the main issues in the administration play to bolster the Greek and Turkish governments against Communism is: Does the United States propose thereby to disregard the processes of the United Nations?

With that as a background, Austin called on the President on Tuesday. Later he revealed his plan to make a statement before the Security Council in New York on Friday.

"It will deal thoroughly with the item in our Security Council business which relates to the disturbance on the northern borders of Greece," he said.

He said it also will cover the Turkish situation.—Associated Press.

"Take The Lead"

Other highlights in foreign policy today included a statement by Senator Walter George (Democrat, Georgia), in obvious reference to Russia, that the United States must adopt a "positive" foreign policy everywhere and "take the lead in throwing up barriers against expanding powers."

Senators Claude Pepper and Glen Taylor denounced the administration plan as a step toward war.

The U.S. Ambassador to Greece, Mr. MacVegh, gave the House Committee a confidential report on Greece which the chairman said afterward made him more favourable to the administration programme.

The President's programme was attacked by a delegation of members of the New York City Chapter of the Congress of American Women.—United Press.

No Immediate Danger Of War

Washington, Mar. 26. General Eisenhower, the U.S. Chief of Staff, declared today: "There is no immediate danger of a deliberately provoked war."

He repeated twice the statement he made in the same words when he was visiting Europe last year, "there is no nation in the world today which would deliberately provoke a global war."

He described the recent incidents in Venezuela, the province surrounding Trieste, as "undesirable things."

He said the United States in its armed services must keep abreast of the rest of the world and if possible ahead of them. Air forces today occupied the dominant position in war. An air force was the only immediate thing for retaliation if someone tried to attack the U.S.—Reuter.

Couldn't Get On With Her In-Laws

Southampton, Mar. 26. The immigration authorities kept Mrs. Susanna Davis, shapely 22-year-old stowaway, aboard the "Aquitania" tonight while they checked her story about running away from her in-laws in Nova Scotia to reach her ex-serviceman husband, who is reportedly still in Scotland.

Mrs. Davis said she sneaked aboard the Cunard liner at Halifax to return to England. Her husband sent her to Canada ahead of him but she could not get along with his parents, she said.—United Press.

Wuppertal, Mar. 26. General Blumentritt, Field Marshal von Rundstedt's former chief of staff, was acquitted today of war crimes charges by a British military court here. The prosecutor said there was not sufficient proof to support the allegations.—Reuter.

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